Statement

Names of the Organisations involved in implementation of VPTs

1. Bharat Sanchar Nigam Limited
2. M/s Tata Teleservices
3. M/s Reliance Telecom
4. M/s HFCL Infotel Ltd.
5. M/s Hughes Telecom (India) Limited
6. M/s Bharati Telenet
7. M/s Shyam Telelink

WLL facility in Mainpuri

†4540. SHRI R.N. ARYA: Will the Minister of COMMUNICATIONS AND INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY be pleased to refer to the answer to Starred Question 325 and Unstarred Question 1203 given in the Rajya Sabha on the 14th August, 2001 and the 29th November, 2001 respectively, and state:

(a) the district-wise details of the 70,000 wireless local loop phones to be provided to villages and whether such phones would be provided in Mainpuri district;

(b) whether the Kargil martyrs' village Shahjahanpur has since been provided with such phones; if so, the details thereof; and

(c) if not, the reasons therefor?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF COMMUNICATIONS AND INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY (SHRI TAPAN SIKDAR): (a) to (c) The requisite information is being collected and will be laid on the Table of the House.

VPTs in MP and Chhattisgarh

†4541. SHRI MOTILAL VORA: Will the Minister of COMMUNICATIONS AND INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY be pleased to state:

(a) the number of Village Public Telephones installed during last three years, State-wise;

†Original notice of the Question was received in Hindi.

(b) the budgetary allocation made for the said purpose, State-wise; and

(c) the number of panchayats in Chhattisgarh and Madhya Pradesh which are still devoid of telephone facility and by when telephone facility would be provided there?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF COMMUNICATIONS AND INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY (SHRI TAPAN SIKDAR): (a) The State-wise information in respect of the Village Public Telephones installed in the country in the last three years is given in the enclosed Statement-I. (*See* below)

(b) The State-wise allotment of funds for the purpose is given in the enclosed Statement-II. (*See* below)

(c) 2874 nos. of Village Panchayats in Chhattisgarh and 3209 nos. of Village Panchayats in Madhya Pradesh are still deprived of telephone facility. These are proposed to be covered by the end of year 2002.

Statement-I

Nos. of Village Public Telephones provided during the last 3 years

Sl. No.	State Circle	1999-2000	1999-2000	2000-2001	2000-2001	2001-2002	2001-2002	
		By BSNL	By Pvt. Optr.	By BSNL	By Pvt. Optr.	By BSNL	By Pvt. Optr.	Total for 3 yrs.
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9
1.	Andaman/Nicobar	55		8		0		63
2.	Andhra Pradesh	15		4	5	18	102	144
3.	Assam	826		336		2501		3663
4.	Bihar	4602		2276		15612		22490
5.	Jharkhand					9980		9980
6.	Gujarat	0		0		0	2	2
7.	H.P.	2577		4002		4507		11086
8.	J&K	448		229		50		727
9.	Karnataka	2455		1255		4		3714
10.	Kerala	0		0		0		0
11.	M.P.	3546	12	1527	336	312	0	5733

1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9
12.	Chhattisgarh					3677		3677
13	Maharashtra	165		0		0	160	325
14.	North East-I	303		236		368		907
15.	North East-II			73		147		220
16.	Orissa	2102		2037		10392		14531
17.	Punjab	39		564		0	20	623
18.	Rajasthan	548		98	169	33	40	888
19.	Tamil Nadu	11		53		1		65
20.	Uttar Pradesh (E)	8303		14643		8179		31125
21.	Uttar Pradesh (W)	4440		3167		2402		10009
22.	Uttranchal					2162		2162
23.	West Bengal	3530		3805		10357		17692
24.	Calcutta	0		0		53		53
25.	Delhi	0		0		0		0
	TOTAL:	**33965**	**12**	**34313**	**510**	**70755**	**324**	**139879**

Statement-II

Funds allocated for provisions of VPTs by DoT/BSNL State-wise/ Year-wise for the period from 1999-2000 to 2001-2002.

Sl. No.	Name of Circle	1999-2000	2000-2001	2001-2002
1.	Andaman and Nicobar	0.33	0.30	0.00
2.	Andhra Pradesh	0.00	0.15	0.00
3.	Assam	15.51	10.39	8.51
4.	Bihar	25.00	74.62	57.11
5.	Chhattisgarh	0.00	0.00	16.63
6.	Gujarat	0.00	0.00	0.00
7.	Haryana	0.13	0.02	0.00
8.	Himachal Pradesh	12.93	20.00	10.13
9.	J&K	3.32	1.98	8.10

Sl. No.	Name of Circle	1999-2000	2000-2001	2001-2002
10.	Jharkhand	0.00	0.00	22.26
11.	Karnataka	10.34	6.33	0.04
12.	Kerala	0.00	0.00	0.00
13.	Madhya Pradesh	25.06	29.30	1.52
14.	Maharashtra	0.00	0.18	0.00
15.	North-East-I	10.34	14.07	10.85
16.	North-East-II	0.00	0.00	5.66
17.	Orissa	15.51	34.91	68.04
18.	Punjab	0.00	0.00	0.00
19.	Rajasthan	0.00	0.06	0.00
20.	Tamil Nadu	0.00	0.46	0.00
21.	U.P. (East)	36.20	50.36	53.17
22.	U.P. (W)	31.03	41.26	17.62
23.	Uttaranchal	0.00	0.00	7.99
24.	West Bengal	26.01	55.00	53.25
	Total:	**211.71**	**339.39**	**340.88**

Note: Tamil Nadu includes Chennai Phones, West Bengal includes Kolkata Phones and Sikkim also and Maharashtra includes Goa.

NE-I includes Meghalaya, Mizoram and Tripura.

NE-II includes Arunachal Pradesh, Nagaland and Manipur.

Direct Exchange lines in Rural Areas

4542. SHRI K.M. KHAN: Will the Minister of COMMUNICATIONS AND INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY be pleased to state:

(a) the number of Village Public Telephones (VPTs) provided in the country till 31st December, 2001, State-wise;

(b) by when all the villages in the country would be covered by VPTs;